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For: SAMPLE PROCESSING SYSTEM FOR A PLASMA SPECTROMETER  
FOR ANALYSING VISCOUS SAMPLES, AND SAMPLES INSOLUBLE  
AT ROOM TEMPERATURE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2004, the period for responding having been extended to November 15, 2004, by the attached Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time. In the prosecution of the above-captioned patent application, please consider the following: